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WASHINGTON, November 23, 1982 -- Orders for new and rebuilt freight cars totaled 884 in October, compared with 1,133 in September and 1,013 in October 1981, the Association of American Railroads and the American Railway Car Institute reported today.

Orders placed through the first 10 months of this year totaled 7,191, compared with 16,390 during the same period last year.

Cars placed in service in October totaled 1,037, compared with 1,106 in September and 3,015 in October of last year. Deliveries through the first 10 months of 1982 totaled 17,070, compared with 41,085 in the same period of 1981.

As of November 1, the backlog of cars on order but undelivered totaled 5,597, compared with 6,356 on October 1 and 18,969 on November 1, 1981. Average monthly backlog so far this year is 9,792, compared with 33,551 at the same time a year ago.

Meanwhile, the AAR reported that 31 new and rebuilt locomotives were placed in service in October, compared with 35 in September and 55 in October 1981. Total locomotive deliveries through the first 10 months of this year were 388, compared with 610 at the same point last year.

As of November 1, the backlog of locomotives on order but undelivered was 86, compared with 75 on October 1 and 184 on November 1 a year earlier.

Taking retirements into account, the fleet of owned and leased diesel locomotives on November 1 totaled 27,234, compared with 27,291 on October 1 and 27,772 on November 1, 1981.

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FREIGHT CARS AND LOCOMOTIVES ORDERED AND DELIVERED

AND BACKLOG OF ORDERS

ALL RAILROADS AND PRIVATE CAR LINES

DELIVERED

	October		September	Ten Months	
	1982	1981	1982	1982	1981
Built New by Car Builders	650	2,656	913	14,536	37,137
Built New in R.R. Shops	240	244	54	1,348	2,986
Built New - Total	890	2,900	967	15,884	40,123
Rebuilt	147	115	139	1,186	962
TOTAL DELIVERED	1,037	3,015	1,106	17,070	41,085
Locomotives	31	55	35	388	610

ORDERED

To be built New by Car Builders	134	638	583	5,841	14,662
To be built New in R.R. Shops	750	375	0	750	628
To be built New - Total	884	1,013	583	6,591	15,290
To be rebuilt	0	0	600	600	1,100
TOTAL ORDERED	884	1,013	1,183	7,191	16,390

ON ORDER AND UNDELIVERED

	November 1		October 1	Average	
	1982	1981	1982	1982	1981
To be built New by Car Builders	4,710	16,685	5,337	8,575	30,377
To be built New in R.R. Shops	573	2,146	558	858	2,882
To be built New - Total	5,283	18,831	5,895	9,433	33,259
To be rebuilt	314	138	461	359	292
TOTAL ON ORDER	5,597*	18,969	6,356	9,792	33,551
Locomotives	86	184	75	155	322

*Due to revisions and cancellations of some orders, the Nov. 1, 1982 backlog has been reduced by 606 cars.

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